

## STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

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## MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

TRUDY D. FISHER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

From:

The Mississippi Designated Natural Resource Trustee Official for the Deepwater

Horizon Natural Resource Damage Assessment

To:

The Designated Natural Resource Trustee Officials for the Deep Water Horizon

Oil Spill

Subject:

Designation/Reaffirmation of Mississippi's Trustee Council and Executive

Committee Representatives

Date:

October 17, 2011

To implement and effectuate the Natural Resource Damages Assessment, early restoration and the broader restoration planning process, negotiate and address other matters which may arise with respect to the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill (the "Spill"), the Designated Natural Resource Trustee Official for the State of Mississippi makes the following designations pursuant to Sections VI and VII of the Memorandum of Understanding Relating to the Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration Resulting from the Deep Water Horizon Mobile Offshore Drilling Unit and the Subsea Macondo Well (the "MOU") among the State and Federal Natural Resource Trustees for the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill:

For the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality ("MDEQ"), the following individuals are identified by the undersigned Designated Natural Resource Trustee Official ("DNRTO") in accordance with Sections VI and VII of the MOU:

- (1) The primary Trustee Council representative is Trudy Fisher, the Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality serving as Mississippi's natural resources Trustee under the Oil Pollution Act, The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 2261, Jackson, MS 39225; phone (601) 961-5171; email: Trudy Fisher@deq.state.ms.us.
- (2) The alternate Trustee Council representative is Amy Whitten, The Whitten Group, P.A., 607 Highland Colony Parkway, Suite 100, Ridgeland, MS 39157; phone (601) 707-0580; email: <a href="mailto:amy@thewhittengroup.com">amy@thewhittengroup.com</a>.
- (3) The Legal Counsel advising the Trustee Council representatives for MDEQ is Teri Wyly, Balch & Bingham, LLP, 1310 Twenty Fifth Avenue, Gulfport, MS 39501; phone (228) 864-9900; email: <a href="twyly@balch.com">twyly@balch.com</a>.

Trudy Fisher will serve as the Mississippi representative on the Executive Committee and act as the principal representative for the State of Mississippi for efficiency and in order to effectuate decisions and voting as may be required for the undersigned Trustees on any matters within the scope of the MOU. Amy Whitten will serve as the alternate Mississippi representative on the Executive Committee. In the event Trudy Fisher is unable to serve as the Mississippi representative and Amy Whitten is unable to serve as the alternate Mississippi representative on the Executive Committee, Trudy Fisher may name a replacement alternate to serve in this capacity.

Trudy D. Fisher

Executive Director

Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality